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Chiefs argue for safety

By Andree A. Belisle

MILLBURY - Letters from Millbury Police Chief Richard Handfield and Fire Chief Philip J. Day Jr. fueled a discussion of the Route 146/Mass Pike Citizens's Advisory Committee's (CAC) November 4th meeting. Handfield and Day had expressed in writing the concerns of their departments as they relate to safety issues over the connector project and anticipated costs to deal with these issues.

Day's letter to Rep. Richard Moore, chairman of the CAC, and Handfield's memo to the Millbury Board of Selectmen, prompted a response from Moore who asked Day and Handfield to attend the November 4 meeting to "explain the basis" of their proposals.

Day's letter went into detail on the staffing of the Millbury Fire Department, noting that there are only 16 fire fighters making up the majority of the daytime response team. Three of these are town employees, eight are owners of local businesses who must shut down their businesses in order to respond to an alarm and five are employees of these same businesses.

Day explained that his department responds to approximately 300 alarms per year, some 40% of these during the 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. daytime shift. "Each call," wrote Day, "is a minimum of one hour. This may not include the time it takes to drive to the fire station to get the fire apparatus, respond to the scene, return the fire apparatus to the fire station, and prepare the apparatus to respond again. In all, this works out to about three 40 hour weeks that these members must leave their businesses and jobs to serve the town."

Day went on to note in his letter that an expected increase of even one or two additional alarms per week will result in the need for these firefighters to close up shop for at least 50 to 60 more hours per year.

"We believe the increase in responses will force the Town to employ at least four full time fire department members," wrote Day. "This will be necessary to insure that at least one company is sufficiently staffed to respond to any/all alarms. This additional staffing will require adding approximately $120,000 to our present budget. This does not include any new fire department apparatus that may be needed to respond to these alarms. It is our recommendation that some type of funding be provided to cover the anticipated increase in cost until such time as the Town's tax revenues can sustain the increased budget on its own."

In responding to Day's letter, Moore wrote, "It is difficult to understand why a highway project, as has been proposed, would be the direct cause of the town moving from a call to partial full-time fire department. Surely, the Millbury Fire Department does not plan to staff a full time substation along Route 146."

In his letter, Handfield said increased traffic on Millbury's primary and secondary roads will substantially increase the calls for service to his department. "Our calls for motor vehicle accidents, emergency medical services, disabled motor vehicles interfering with traffic flow, will increase dramatically, taxing our under-manned police department," he wrote.

Handfield estimated that his department will require the appointment of at least three permanent full-time officers to service the Town effectively. The cost for the three officers at current dollars and wages would amount to $138,453.15.

In addition, Handfield said he would also require one additional police cruiser at a cost of $15,000.

Moore's written response to Handfield was, "It is difficult to understand the basis for suggesting the need for an additional vehicle and these new officers directly attributable to the construction of two miles of limited access highway through the community with a safer Route 146-Route 20 interchange and the turnpike toll plaza (patrolled by State Police)."

Moore wrote that the traffic along Rt. 146 is projected to increase even if no turnpike plaza is constructed. "Millbury would have been expected to deal with this increase as would all other communities," he said. "The new Route 146/Mass Pike connector will reduce traffic exiting the current East Millbury Pike tolls which now use Route 20 or local roads to get to Worcester or Route 146. The same is true for traffic using the Auburn tolls to and from Route 146 via Route 20. This change in traffic pattern will reduce through traffic on local roads from the two current interchanges in the region, generally keeping this traffic on limited access, safer highways.

"Furthermore, through traffic from Route 146 will no longer use the existing Millbury and Ballard Streets with their numerous driveways and side streets. This should also reduce the accidents in this section of town. The new highway and connector are designed to be safer than existing roads and should be capable of handling any increase in traffic."

Moore was not present to hear the documentation provided by Handfield to support his and Day's request for funding for additional manpower.

Prior to Handfield and Day addressing the meeting, Millbury Board of Selectmen Chairman Jude Cristo offered his support of the request of the town's two chiefs. "They are both very qualified individuals and are our public safety experts," he said. "They are the experts, they know what the town of Millbury needs in terms of safety."

Handfield began his presentation by stating that he was not in opposition to the interchange project nor a "robber baron."

Handfield came prepared with the State's October, 1992 Draft Environmental Impact Report that was completed by the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration and the Massachusetts Highway Department and Mass. Turnpike Authority.

"In order to determine the environmental impacts of the Preferred Alignment, it was necessary to develop a base case (the No-Build Alternative) against which to measure the impacts," the report reads. The years 1994 and 2014 were selected as evaluation years.

The following chart shows the state's projected traffic figures for three primary Millbury routes if the project is not built and the anticipated figures if the project is completed.

"Overall," Handfield said, "completion of the project will make traffic better, but certain areas, according to the statistics, will have a definite impact on the town. Primary and secondary roads will clog up. With the traffic increase will come an increased potential for accidents. Rt. 146 may be wider and more driveable," he said, "but speeds will increase and more accidents will occur and property damages will increase. The more serious the accident, the more serious the injuries and more officers tied up on calls. I'm down nine people now over the national average," Handfield told the committee. "I need four more just to service the town right now. Any call that goes on the highway right now takes away from the service provided to the residents of the town. That's why I'm asking for three more people. I may need more, I may need one less, I'm not sure, but that's my projection."

Handfield agreed that overall the transportation system will be improved, "but I have to look at the smaller picture," he said, "the impact on the town, the impact on my department, the services townspeople require."

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Another 'Horrible' parade

CHRONICLE photos by Alexander A. Belisle

MILLBURY - Students at the Elmwood Street School entertained family members at the school's annual "Horribles Parade" on Friday.

Old Fashioned Fun

MILLBURY - Youngsters who stopped by the Millbury Youth Camp on Halloween tried their skill at doughnut eating while family members looked on.

Dressed for work (and play)

CHRONICLE photo by Alexander A. Belisle

Millbury National Bank employees greeted customers with a smile and a little bit of mischief for Halloween: (l-r) Debra Scanlon, Kelly Hartigan, Joanne Gaulin, Kathie Ritchie, Sara Bombara, Danielle Pattertson and Doreen Holmes.

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Editorial

Stand Up And Fight

It took a rather lengthy search through my considerable accumulation of newspapers only to find that I had somehow misplaced the November 3rd edition of the Telegram & Gazette which contained an editorial attacking Millbury officials and on which I was to base my editorial this week. But then, I need not have worried, since that same editorial was supplied in a packet of information to each member of the Route 146-Mass Pike Citizen's Advisory Committee (CAC) at their November 4th meeting, for what reason, I can only speculate.

The editorial took Millbury's Police Chief, Richard Handfield, Fire Chief Philip J. Day, Jr. and "other town officials" to task for "making exaggerated claims about the new road's impact" on the town.

Handfield and Day have said that their departments will require additional manpower to ensure the safety of the community given the scope of the project, and Jude Cristo, Chairman of the Millbury Board of Selectmen, has repeatedly asked for funds to offset the tax loss the town will suffer due to the uprooting of homes and businesses along Rte. 146.

The T&G said there was no supporting data or substantiation for the chiefs' claims, and Rep. Richard Moore "asked" Day and Handfield to attend the November 4th CAC meeting to explain the basis for their proposals.

Though Millbury officials were chided for not providing substantiating data, both the T&G editorial board and Moore had no problem making the unsubstantiated claim that the new road will reduce traffic on streets in Millbury. Where was their supporting documentation?

If the T&G editorial writers wanted substantiating facts, why did they not call Chiefs Handfield and Day and ask them about the basis for their request before writing such as divisive column.

As a point of fact, Handfield and Day's figures were based on the State's own Environmental Impact Report which shows a projected 122% increase in traffic along Elm Street to Rte. 146, a 53% increase on West Main St. to Rte. 122A, and a 72% increase along Rte. 122A to Rte. 20.

We hear unsubstantiated claims about this project all the time. Governor Weld has said that Worcester county will benefit from a $1.9M increase in local taxes, collectively, due to business sales and household income. Did anyone ask him for substantiating documentation?

"This project will employ 1800 during the construction, and 5,000-6,000 after it's done," stated Rep. Paul Kollios at the November 4th meeting. Did anyone ask for documentation to support that claim?

And as to the Selectmen's request for funds to offset the loss of tax revenue to the town, perhaps the state should be asked to supply substantiating evidence for all costs related to this project so Millbury officials can decide where funds could be cut to provide this assistance until the town's tax base can recover. Perhaps the state can look at that portion of the project's budget that will provide for police details while the project is being built. Millbury could probably employ four full-time police officers along the construction site for less money than the State will end up paying in police details.

It seems that every time officials in Millbury, the host community for this project, object to any portion of the project or ask for assistance, they are brushed off like whining children and told to go stand in the corner and stick a pacifier filled with unsubstantiated promises in their mouths.

Well, some Millbury officials are not going to be quiet, nor should they be. Handfield and Day are the safety experts for the town of Millbury, not the State, not Rep. Moore, not Rep. Kollios, and certainly not the editorial board of the T&G.

If anyone wants substantiating evidence on what this project will do to Millbury even before it is completed, one only has to recall what happened when one small bridge was closed down in Millbury for a year and a half. Rest assured, that project cannot even compare to what residents of this community can expect to face when the 146 Connector Project gets underway.

As the T&G editorial mockingly pointed out, there is an article on the warrant for the November 16th town meeting that asks voters if the "Town should support the Commonwealth's proposal to construct a Mass. Pike/Route 146 Interchange to serve the regional transportation and economic needs of the City of Worcester and the Blackstone Valley while accepting the loss of annual property tax revenues and increased annual public safety expenditures." This is a non-binding question that probably should have been asked years ago. But, better late than never. It won't stop the project from beginning; it won't guarantee funds to offset the town's tax losses; it won't force the state to provide additional funds for public safety. But what it will do is send a clear message to the state, to the legislators and to the editorial board of the T&G: Millbury has a voice, its voice is loud and clear.

Millbury may have to put up with this project, but it should not "go gentle into that good night."

Andree A. Belisle, Editor

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Rep. Paul Kollios (D-Millbury) said he was "confused" over the traffic statistics. "Once it's completed, the traffic will increase but the number of accidents decreases," he said. "Roughly 40% of all the accidents between Brosnihan Square and the Shell station occur at the Rte. 20 intersection. That will be eliminated."

"A lot of intersections will be corrected along this route," Handfield responded, "but I'm not concerned with the City of Worcester."

CAC member Dr. Steve Rice questioned how more accidents would occur when curb cuts will be eliminated.

Millbury Town Planner Steve Bishop responded to Rice, "You basically have a limited access highway coming out of Worcester and you still have about a two mile section of local access road that, in terms of acceleration and deceleration, is very dangerous in that portion. You may be familiar with a similar situation on Rte. 6 on the Cape which changes from limited access to local access. Statistically, it's one of highest accident areas in the state. We're still dealing with the problem of limited access versus local access. "

"Our roads are not just Rt. 146," said Day. "Studies show there will be an increase in truck traffic."

"I agree," said Kollios, "but how will they go through Millbury? They will go Rte. 20 to Worcester."

"They will now use the new Millbury exit instead of the Auburn exit," said Handfield. "There will also be a greater volume of hazardous materials."

"Everything Chief Handfield said reflects on my department," said Day. "My department is call, at present 300 calls a year. The addition of 50 calls a year would be the straw that breaks the camel's back. It will force the town of Millbury to employ four men to man one station during the daytime hours when we are shorthanded. We're taxing the businesses by having to shut down their operation to respond to alarms. We're not going to be able to do it (without more manpower).

"Moore sent me a letter," Day continued, "but I'm not sure he read my letter to him. Nowhere in my letter did I say it's my intent to build a substation on Rte. 146. Public safety is my job. They asked for my opinion, and that's it."

Day was asked what percentage of his calls are for house fires?

Day said he did not have that information readily available. "It doesn't have to be a large percentage increase (in calls)," he replied. "You have to understand how the department is manned to see how those calls could push us over the edge."

Day said 11 response calls on the Mass Pike last year amounted to hundreds of man hours. "Most accidents require more than one unit because there is no water on the Mass Pike and most of the accidents are extremely severe," he argued.

Kollios said that perhaps the Mass Turnpike Authority should be asked to provide funds for equipment to enhance the town's capacity to take care of spills. "On the police side," he said, "I thought the towns were the primary responders but then the State Police take over from that point?" Kollios also said there has been talk of the Grafton State Police Barracks moving and he suggested they be asked to consider moving to a site on 146.

"On this stretch of 146," Handfield replied, "we respond. We don't rely on the State Police."

Day's response to Kollios' suggestion was, "Equipment is not the issue, it's manpower."

Cristo then addressed the estimated loss of $70,000 in tax revenues from the homes and businesses slated to be displaced. "As time progresses, we seem to have more and more mandates and our budgets are stretched to the max," he said. "Outside of 2 1/2 overrides, which the voters aren't going to support, and I wouldn't expect them to, we don't have any recourse. Seventy thousand dollars to a town this size is a lot of money. Every time we turn around our local ability to control our own destiny is hampered considerably. We just don't have new ways to pick up the additional revenue. We would like to be compensated for that loss of revenue until

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	No-Build 1994	No-Build 2014	Preferred Alignment			
			1994	% Change	2014	% Change
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West Main St. to Rte. 122A	24,676	30,473	37,170	51%	46,562	53%
Rte. 122A to Rte. 20	35,899	42,251	58,464	63%	72,631	72%

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Groups for parents of sexually abused children

WORCESTER - Two eight-week groups are forming for parents whose children have been sexually abused. One group is for mothers whose children were abused by a partner/caretaker. The other is for parents of children who were sexually abused by a non-caretaker. The groups will focus on the parents' recovery from this personal crisis in their lives. These groups are sponsored by Family Services of Central Mass, 31 Harvard Street. For more information, contact Janice Lerch, LICSW at 756-4646.

Millbury Women's Bowling League

MILLBURY - Kathy Marble had high triple with strings of 136/109/102 for a 330 game. Kathy Marble had high single with a 136 game.

Bowling 100 and over were Kathy Marble, 136/109/102; Charlotte Gabree, 121/109; Pat Gaspar, 101/101; Gail Higginbottom, 126; Aggie Boire, 114; Becky Rushton, 114; Irma Healy, 110; Joan DeSantis, 104; Louise Cusson, 103; Vivian Joubert, 103.

TEAM STANDINGS

PLACE	TEAM	WON	LOST
1	#6 Purple Passions	35	29
2	#2 Black Orchids	35	29
3	#3 Blue Belles	33	31
4	#5 Yellow Roses	33	31
5	#4 Violets	32	32
6	#1 Pink Panthers	30	34

HIGH SINGLE

Charlotte Gabree 142
Kathy Marble 136
Ellen Bouvier 128

HIGH TRIPLE

Kathy Marble 347
Charlotte Gabree 330
Gail Higginbottom 324

HIGH AVERAGE: Kathy Marble 100, Pat Gaspar 99.7, Joan DeSantis 97.6

TOP TEN BOWLERS: Kathy Marble 100, Pat Gaspar 99.7, Joan DeSantis 97.6, Gail Higginbottom 97.2, Becky Rushton 96.5, Charlotte Gabree 96.1, Vivian Joubert 91, Ellen Bouvier 90.5, Ann Coons 90.4, Marge McArdle 89.6

Dessert Whist

MILLBURY - The Women's Fellowship of Raymond Memorial Church will host a Dessert Whist Party at the church, 5 Raymond Street, East Millbury, on Friday, November 19, at 1:30 p.m. Dessert will be served first and the game will follow. Tickets are $2.00 and may be bought at the door.

Special Education

MILLBURY - The Millbury Public Schools provide special education services for students with a variety of needs. A child in need of special education is any person of ages three through 21 up to his/her 22nd birthday, who has not obtained a high school diploma or its equivalent. Programs have been established that provide for a flexible and uniform system of educational opportunities for all children requiring special education. Inquiries regarding special education in general should be directed to the Office of Special Services at 865-9501.

Students compete in Math Meet

WORCESTER - Four Millbury High students competed recently in the 6th Annual Worcester Polytechnic Institute Invitational Math meet.

The students, Andrew Mason, Matthew Pappas, Jennifer Morency and Rachel Kupcinskas competed against some 90 schools from Massachusetts and Rhode Island. The program was divided into two major categories - individual student competition and team competition. The test emphasized areas of calculus, trigonometry and functions.

Matthew Pappas received a $1,000 scholarship for his efforts. "The event was very challenging and a great experience for all," said Math Club Advisor Dennis Leonard.

From My Window on Farnsworth Court

By 'Pastor Rae' Cameron

This past week has been a week of meetings of pastors. Fist and foremost was a meeting of our own Millbury/Sutton Ecumenical Cluster. We are still in the process of working out our purpose statement. By doing so, I personally have felt a warm kinship and better understanding of my Christian friends of different expressions. Having recently preached on the Protestant Reformation, I understand that we are all in the process of an on-going reformation of our churches. My own church is entering into a program of our denomination called "Renewed for Mission 2000," in which we hope to take a good hard look at our church and experience a Holy Spirit led revival.

The other meeting was one of my own denomination. It was a continuing education event we call, "Growth Days." The topic was on clergy sexuality with a special emphasis on our professionalism. It has always been my desire to not be too professional as I wanted very much to be "just plain me." Now I have found out that this can be a mistake for anyone who is a professional. It was pointed out that there is a dividing line between the professional and the personal, and once you have gone through that line there is no turning back. Becoming too friendly can ruin a pastor's relationship with any parishioner, with extreme harm done to both. OUCH!

I marvel that God has called me into His ministry. It is such a high and holy calling that one feels very inadequate to its demands. But I wouldn't have done anything else, for, as I have said before, "Woe is me if I preach not the Gospel." Amen.

Golden Oldies Bash

MILLBURY - The Millbury Lioness Club will hold its 6th annual "Golden Oldies 50's-60's Bash" dance on Saturday, November 13, at the Dudley Gendron Post, Boston Road, Sutton, from 8 p.m. to midnight. There will be games, prizes, Elvis look-a-like contest, raffles and music. Tickets are $6.00 and will be sold at the door.

Roast Beef Dinner

SUTTON - The Dudley Gendron American Legion Post 414, Boston Road, will hold a family style roast beef dinner on November 20. Dinner will be served at 6 p.m. with dancing at 7 p.m. to the sounds of Music Gallery. There will also be karaoke, and door prizes will be awarded. Tickets are $10 and can be purchased at the door.

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such time as some spinoff economic development comes along to re-bolster out coffers. We've never said we don't want this project," Cristo said. "We've been more than willing to work with you....In my opinion, until the town of Millbury's issues are addressed and resolved, I don't want to see a shovel go in the ground on this project. We just don't have the fiscal ability to provide support services and lose revenue for a project such as this that is being built primarily to service the region.

"We have Wheelabrator and Worcester's sewer plant," Cristo argued, "so we're not adverse to siting a project that is really a regional issue, but we can't afford to supplement the cost of a project of this magnitude and lose revenue because of it. We can speculate on the long term benefits to the town but that's all conjecture....We feel like somebody's putting a gun to our head at times. We don't feel like a host community in this project, usually the host gets to invite the guests. You want your interchange to service the region, fine, but not on the backs of the Millbury taxpayers. The people in the Town of Millbury have had enough; they can't afford it."

"Are you saying you want $70,000 in hand before we start?" asked Kollios.

"I want commitments from the Commonwealth that we're going to be able to replenish the funds," Cristo replied.

"First of all," said Kollios, "for no other projects do they give you the tax loss up front. I don't know if we can get offsets on the cherry sheet, but we're going to try."

"I'm not saying I want the money up front," Cristo repeated, "I'm saying I want a commitment that once we lose it we'll get it back."

"Maybe we can entice some businesses to come in," said Kollios. "We can try to negotiate in advance." He then listed several stores in the area of the Auburn Mass Pike interchange that have contributed substantial tax revenues to that town.

Town Planner Steve Bishop countered that the issue of developable land in Millbury was being oversimplified. "If you look at what's available along that stretch of 146," he said, "there is precious little that won't take at least 10 years to prepare. It precludes an easy fix. If we had a project that we could say, 'Yes, it's ready to go, all we need to do is get a Keyway grant,' we would have been the first one's there. But we don't have one. We have a lead time of years."

"What about where Homart was going to build?" asked Kollios.

"That's all ledge and steep slope and there is a proposal that is in litigation right now," Bishop responded.

"There's nothing along 146 in Millbury that's buildable?" asked Kollios.

"Precious little," replied Bishop.

"We've been working with the city of Worcester to implement some of these things that will benefit all of us," Cristo said. "All we're asking for is for a short term fix to get us over the hump."

Steven Rice, who also serves on the Town of Sutton's Highway Study Group, addressed the need for water and sewer lines to attract businesses to several primary and secondary sites that have been identified in Town. "Sutton's problems stem from a problem with the access of the sewer to the primary site along 146," he said. "Within one mile there is access to sewer through the plant located in Millbury. It's my understanding that the Sewer Commissioners in these two towns are having difficulty agreeing on what is and what isn't available to the town of Sutton. With the projects that are on the agenda for Millbury and their access to Federal funds to assist with the major difficulties they have in their own community, there may need to be some assistance from the State to help facilitate the access to a sewer infrastructure. That may come in the means of expanding the plant in Millbury. The people that I have talked to appear to be interested in investing in the expansion and retaining not only their 14% (allowed at Millbury's treatment plant) but increasing it in order to access the development opportunities. If this doesn't happen," Rice said, "those properties become frozen and become a major obstacle for any development to take place. A second site on the southbound side of 146 also lacks infrastructure and it has some problems like the Homart site in Millbury. It is a vast area of open land with frontage on 146 that could possibly be utilized for development."

Mention was made of mitigation funds recently announced for Millbury and Worcester. The two will be eligible for a total of $1.5 million for local public works projects as part of the Weld administration's transportation bond authorization. Funds will be allotted in $250,000 blocks at the discretion of the CAC.

Senator Matthew Amorello said some of the funds could be used to leverage other grant monies for sewer and water lines along the project or to hire a marketing strategist for the Valley.

Following the meeting, Day and Handfield were asked to comment further on their concerns.

"How can the state dispute its own information?" asked Handfield. "I got accused of not having any statistical data so I used the state's. As soon as they complete it (the project) we get whammed. We get banged real hard. And I can't build a police department like that, it's built slowly over time. Granted, they're our roads, but they (the state) are increasing the flow of traffic on then because of the interchange project."

"None of us has a crystal ball where we can say we are definitely going to have to go out there 10 more times," said Day, "but based on their projections, we came to our conclusions."

A somewhat cynical Handfield argued, "They can say all these wonderful things like it will increase jobs and the economy will get bet-

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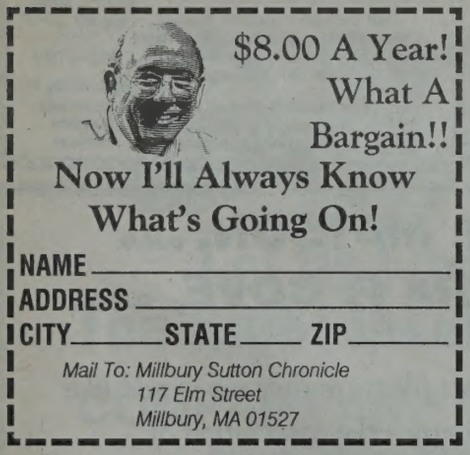

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Ramshorn water level raised for safety

By Edward J. Cooney

MILLBURY - The Board, faced with a short agenda, spent most of the two hour meeting discussing the concerns of residents on Ramshorn Pond in West Millbury. The Ramshorn Watershed Association was represented by Robert Mondor, Roger Thornburg, Donald Erickson and Ed Gedman, who maintained that the water level is at a height that will cause problems for residents.

Mondor, president of the Association, said residents have complained to Highway Surveyor Joe Chase, who is in charge of regulating the draw down and raising of the water levels. "The water level at present is higher than normal by some two feet," Mondor said. "Joe Chase was asked to open the gates at Ramshorn but told us that he couldn't do it."

Administrative Assistant Earl Chase said the town's concern is with a "dry" hydrant that is used for fire protection in the area.

Board Chairman Jude Cristo concurred, noting that if the water level gets too low then the purpose of the dry hydrant is negated.

Fire Chief Phil Day cautioned that because of a draw down last year, the water was too low and the pipe froze. "We lost the use of the dry hydrant for some time."

Day also said the pipe was extended some 30 feet beyond the original design and installation because the hydrant water was too low and the hydrant was not useable. "We need it (water) up at least two feet more to make it (the pipe) useable and so it won't freeze up when the ice comes."

Mondor asked if the pipe could be extended again or if there was something that the association could do such as putting more gravel in there. "Everyone wants that hydrant working," he said. He also asked if something could be done to get the level down to what the residents consider "normal."

"Why do you want the level down after people have already worked on their walls," Cristo asked.

Mondor said the quality of the water on Ramshorn is one of the best in the State. What contributes to that, he said, is the dropping of the water level to the frost line so that the weeds are killed. "If we keep the water level up over a couple of years," he said, "I think we will get some weed growth."

Mondor also said, "There are some people with stationary docks and some who leave their pontoon boats on the shore, but actually there are two now in the water because the level is higher than normal."

Cristo noted that he lives on a lake and must pull his boat out of the water each year for the same reason. He said he doesn't like to have to do that, either.

"If the water stays where it is, the stationary docks will be taken out," Mondor said. "One dock has a gazebo on it. It's going to do some property damage. We are here tonight to see if we can find some win-win situation so that the water could be dropped."

Lachance said he would rather lose a piling than a house to fire. "You're not going to please everyone," he said. "I don't think there are more than six houses where the walls come down to the water's edge. The rest of them are bone dry."

Lachance then questioned who built a double wall on the east side of Ramshorn. "There is a wall within a wall that extends out into the pond," he said. "Someone has also built a gazebo over the pond."

Gedman said there have been situations since the last meeting of the association and the Selectmen some five or six years ago "whereby innuendos and misunderstandings have developed. People pull so-called strings," he said. "They call because they don't want the water high, they don't want the water low or whatever. They call say, Mr. Lachance, or whatever. Over 90% of the people belong to the association. We have one of the better water qualities in the area."

Gedman said that prior to Millbury taking over the care of the dam, "there were no problems to speak of. It seems that this year things just got out of hand," he said. "The dam was opened up in July and the water was coming up to where it's supposed to be. It was opened up for one week, then a certain individual who lives on the lake, who has his rights, called someone up. Joe (Chase) was told to open up the dam. Within a week the water went down, so he closed it. At that point we lost our frontal coverage of water which was down at least a foot. Then fall comes and all of a sudden it's shut off. It's (water level) has come up about five or six feet at my end of the pond. If you leave it as it is you people will wipe out stone walls because of the hydraulic pressure." Gedman said the last time that occurred he had to spend $900 on his wall. "Others had to take care of their's," he said. "What we are trying to do is to come to an amicable agreement here. We are not trying to put Joe Chase in the middle. He got pressure from certain people to open it, then to close it. We have cooperated with him. Let's keep it on a level where we can cooperate. If there are certain people who don't like it, let them go through channels. Let them come to us first. Let's try to resolve this problem."

Cristo said the Board hasn't been consistent in notifying people ten days prior to the draw down dates in the past but will try to get the notice out in time from now on.

"Basically," Cristo said, "we are not, I think, opposed to giving you the water level you need to maintain your docks and walls. However, in light of what the fire chief has told us about last year, that has to be our primary concern. I don't know if the line can be extended."

"When the dry hydrant was originally designed and when it was put in," Day said, "it was designed for a much higher water level than what they have now. They have been drawing it down the last couple of years."

Gedman said it hasn't been drained anymore than in past years. He said that in the past he had 15 feet of beach and this year it's down to 12 feet. "It's up 5-6 feet now and if it goes higher, the walls will go out," he said.

Mondor asked what the options are. "Are you saying that there are no alternatives and that we can't extend the pipe and I should go back and tell the residents on the lake that this is what it is all about? We will lose our walls," he said.

Cristo said that if there are technological ways to enhance the hydrant, he doesn't know what the costs will be.

Day said it is not a matter of extending the pipe as that has already been done to 30 feet. "We did that because the last time the pond was drained down, there was no water at the end of the pipe but just dirt. The water has to stay two feet above the pipe so it doesn't freeze like it did before," he said.

Gedman said the pipe is laying on the surface and it should be covered. "That's the conclusion Joe Chase and I came to," he said.

Day said the pipe is covered most of the way and "yes it could be covered all the way," he agreed, "but there still has to be enough water over the pipe to make it work. I don't know how far they want it to go down. Whether the State will let you go in and fill the pond is another question. Personally, I think we are going to have problems with the State concerning that gazebo hanging out there on the ledges. I don't know where the people own, too, and at what water level."

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Donald Erickson, a previous president of the water association, said the problem is with the design of the pipe. "It seems that there should be some kind of a frost cover to prevent freezing. Right now we have higher water levels than ever before. Last year we were lower, the year before we were lower."

Cristo noted that there was no fire protection in that area last year until the problem was discovered. He noted that people in West Millbury have long been concerned with a lack of water for fire safety.

Erickson said the real problem appears to be the pipe engineering. "It seems to me that the pipe was designed before anyone was thinking about fire. The person who made the design change wasn't apprised of the fact that the water goes down. It wasn't designed for a full lake," he said.

Mondor suggested that an engineer look at the pipe.

Cristo noted that there is no money in the budget for an engineer and that the possible earliest it could be looked at and anything done would not be until next year. "I will not sacrifice fire safety," he said. "I don't want that on my conscience."

He also noted that there would be a permitting process involving the Conservation Commission and DEP.

"Fine," Mondor said, "then let's get going on that now."

Cristo suggested that a committee made up of the Fire Chief, the Highway Surveyor, Lachance and members of the Ramshorn Pond Association be formed to come up with some recommendations.

The Board voted 4-0 to approve such a committee.

Selectman Gerry Bleau left the meeting shortly before the vote was taken.

Critter Control

The Board met with Charles Boulmetis of Critter Control who asked for support to charge a $25 fee to owners of dogs that are strays from towns like Auburn, Sutton and Grafton. The billing would be done by Critter Control.

Chase said the town has no by-laws dealing with control over what people do in other towns. As to the recovery of dogs, "it is in his ball park," said Chase.

Boulemitis said that if the dog's owners have to keep paying it will be an incentive to not allow their dogs to stray.

Boulmetis also noted there have been two cases of rabid raccoons in town.

Miscellaneous

- The Board met in executive session for 15 minutes with the Personnel Board on an issue of collective bargaining relative to the inclusion of another insurance option for town employees.

- The Board voted to put in new street lights at the town parking lot and one at Oak and Birch Streets. Cristo voted in opposition, noting it was a question of where the money will come from.

- Chase reported that a meeting is to be scheduled with John Hoey of the Mass. Highway Department concerning issues related to the proposed bridge work at Canal Street. Business people in the area also will be invited.

Animal Safety Tips

MILLBURY - The Millbury Board of Selectmen has issued the following "Animal Safety Tips."

- Vaccinate cats and dogs and protect them from contact with wild animals whenever possible. The State of Massachusetts now requires that cats be vaccinated.

- Do not feed pets outside as this attracts wildlife.

- Place tight covers on garbage cans.

- Talk to your children about wild animals and strongly warn them to stay away from them and to inform you if they should see any while outside playing. Report suspicious animals to police or the animal control officer.

- Do not feed wild animals or keep them as pets. No matter how cute, they are wild.

- Never touch dead animals.

Tips to keep wild animals out of your house:

- Install a chimney cap.

- Seal openings under the house or in attics, garages, and sheds. Check for animals before sealing.

It is expected that rabid raccoons will be in this area in epidemic proportions this fall.

October Star Performers

MILLBURY - The R.E. Shaw Elementary School has announced the Star Performers for October, 1993. These students are selected because they demonstrate an effort and attitude that reflects an eagerness to learn and a spirit of cooperation.

Congratulations to these students on their recognition: Grade 3 - Nicole Grigas, Gregory Kerr, Jennifer Mardirosian, Scott Maynard, Penny Pitman and Kara Woods; Grade 4 - Nathan Cadrin, Michael Conlon, Matthew Girouard, Mark Strom, Chloe Zona; Grade 5 - Nicol Boria, Brian Ginisi, Daniel Oberist, Shawn Walker; Grade 6 - Jennifer Gosselin, Jason L'Heureux, Michael Russell, Melissa Woelfel, and Karla Grudinsky.

Calendar

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13

MILLBURY - The Women's Council of the Millbury Baptist Church will host a Holiday Crafts Bazaar in the Fellowship Hall of the Church, Main Street at the Common, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

MILLBURY - The Millbury Council on Aging will host a Craft Fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

MILLBURY - The Millbury Lioness Club will hold its 6th annual "Golden Oldies 50-60's Bash" at the Dudley Gendron Post in Sutton from 8 p.m. to midnight.

MILLBURY - The Millbury Federated Church will hold its fourth annual Evening Concert at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary of the Church, 20 Main Street.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15

MILLBURY - An important meeting of Devoe Taylor Post #9 American Legion will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the Asa Waters Mansion.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16

MILLBURY - Special Town Meeting at 7 p.m. in the High School Auditorium.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17

MILLBURY - The November Pack Meeting for Cub Scout Pack 109 will be held tonight at 6:30 p.m. at the Millbury Federated Church hall. THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18

SUTTON - The Women's Fellowship of Sutton will host a public luncheon at the First Congregational Church of Sutton, Boston Road, from 12-1 p.m. All are welcome.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19

MILLBURY - The Women's Fellowship of Raymond Memorial Church will host a Dessert Whist Party at the church, 5 Raymond Street, East Millbury, at 1:30 p.m. Tickets are $2.00.

MILLBURY - The First Congregational Church, West Main Street, will hold its Annual Turkey Raffle at 7 p.m.

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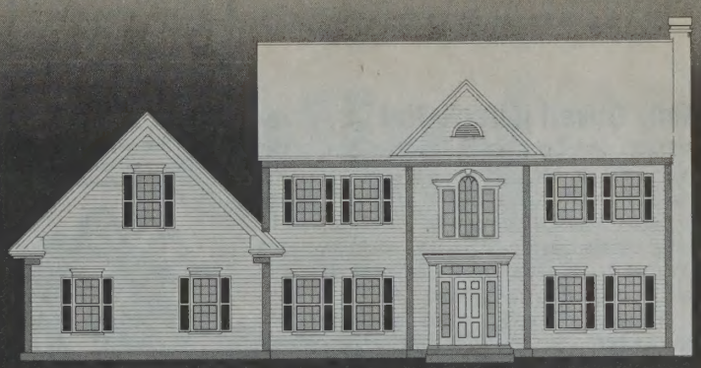

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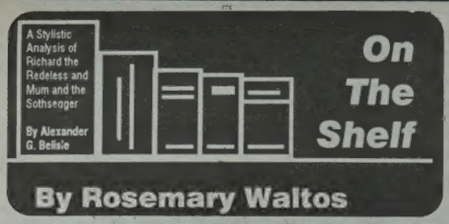

By Rosemary Waltos

Video cassettes established themselves at the Millbury Public Library in the mid 1980's. The collection grew from just a few videocassette titles in 1986 to over 650 titles today. The library's collection includes some of public television's finest productions, popular adult and children's films and documentaries.

In recent years, the availability of a wide range of affordable books-on-tape titles has meant that the library could develop its collection in this area as well. Today, the library has over 350 abridged and unabridged books-on-tape.

Books-on-tape can also be found in the library's children's room. More commonly referred to as "read alongs" among the younger set, books-on-tape for kids typically include a cassette tape accompanied by a book. All kids need to do is plug in and read along.

Cost and space restrict the size and scope of the library's collection of non-print materials. Like the 70 other libraries in Central Massachusetts, the Millbury Public Library depends on the audiovisual services and collections offered by the Central Massachusetts Regional Library System (CMRLS) to provide patrons with the titles they want in the formats they prefer.

CMRLS has thousands of loan-free titles available to the public through local public libraries. The most frequently requested titles are in video and audiocassette formats. Listings of these titles can be found in recent 1993 Regional catalogs. The first is a listing 3,100 VHS format videocassettes that includes over 70% of public performance approved titles. In October, a Regional catalog listing 650 spoken word audiocassettes including both abridged and unabridged books-on-tape was made available. Both catalogs provide detailed descriptions of all items and are subject indexed.

It's easy to get the spoken word audio and video titles you want. On your next visit to the Millbury Public Library look for Regional video and audiocassette catalogs in the adult services video/books-on-tape section of the library. When you find the titles you want, a staff member will be happy to fill out a booking request form. Actual availability depends on title demand, and delivery services to the library. It is best to request titles at least a week ahead. You'll be called when your tape is delivered. You can pick up and return tapes to the Millbury Public Library.

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Another Point of View

Reelection and progress - are they incompatible?

By Lawrence Moore

It is possible to array good arguments in opposition to NAFTA? "Good arguments" presupposes a willingness and ability to research, study and evaluate prior to taking a position. But to be against NAFTA because of reelection concerns is patently unfair to Congressional constituents and to the country as a whole.

The results of the off-year election have thrown fear into the hearts of incumbents. The elections in New York City, New Jersey and Virginia, while not directly or even remotely connected with NAFTA, showed the politicians the intransigence of the electorate, and the vulnerability of incumbency. It didn't take but a few hours to stiffen the backbones of the anti-NAFTA legislators and polarize the resolve of the fence-sitters. They all seem to have read the words of political analyst Charles Cook, quoted in the Wall Street Journal, "These people are going to be scared of their shadows. They're just going to be real, real, real jumpy. Obviously, it's going to have a dramatic affect on their behavior."

The interesting thing about many of the elections was the inability to accurately predict the outcomes and the winning margins. Legislators are right about one thing. They have a right to be scared because they do not know and cannot know how the silent majority is planning to vote. Legislators, like most of us, see and hear that which is thrust before us. If Labor, in states like Ohio and Michigan, and large labor constituencies in other industrial states, threaten, legislators recoil. Congress must, in this as in many other ticklish decisions, first decide and then convince their voters of the correctness of their position.

Paul Tsongas had it right on the money. When asked how he felt about the possible competition for jobs if NAFTA passed, replied (as accurately as I can remember), "I don't want to see Americans competing for low paying jobs. I want to see them competing for the high paying jobs in Japan and Germany."

That is the crux of the matter. In the coming global economy, America has the entrepreneurial ability, the financial resources and the individual skills necessary to make America and keep America the world leader in the 21st Century.

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Congress should approach the NAFTA question as they would an election campaign, speaking out across their districts to ALL the voters, explaining and selling the prospect of growth and the good life for generations to come. Yes, it's that big!

Congress should not blindly fear the next election. They should stand up for the future, convince their constituents and prove that reelection and progress are not incompatible.

Holiday Crafts Bazaar

MILLBURY - The Women's Council of the Millbury Baptist Church will host a Holiday Crafts Bazaar on Saturday, November 13, in the Fellowship Hall of the Church, Main Street at the Common, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Council members have been busy creating many wonderful holiday crafts for that special someone. For those who enjoy giving home baked goods, a bake table will be one feature you won't want to miss. There will also be a "kidscorner" for the amusement of the children while you browse and shop. Lunch will be available, offering soup and sandwiches. Coffee "and" will be ready when you are, throughout the festivities.

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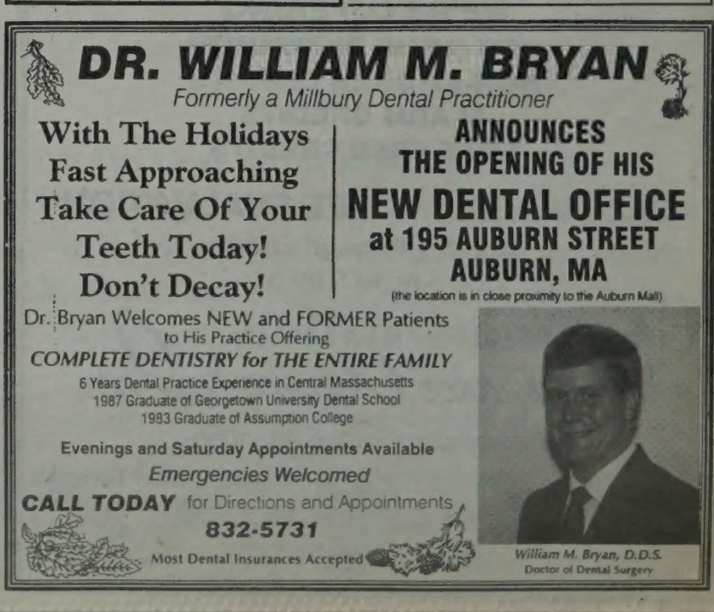

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Commission member sought in Sutton

By Alec G. Belisle

SUTTON - The Selectmen's meeting of November 2 began at 7:30 with all members present. The selectmen acted on a very light agenda.

Chairwoman Mary K. Connor said she received a letter from Jack Sheehan resigning from the Conservation Commission. Connor commented that Sheehan has been a valuable member of the board and suggested that the selectmen write a letter expressing their gratitude for his years of service.

Connor also suggested that the opening on the Commission be posted and advertised.

Eagle Scouts

Connor read from invitations to the board to attend a Court of Honor at which three scouts from Troop 131 will attain the rank of Eagle Scout. The three scouts are: Erik Bjorn, Mark DiBenedetto, and Richard Fissette.

Selectman Wally Johnson suggested having a proclamation created that can be presented to the scouts for their achievement.

Town Administrator's Update

Town Administrator John Olson said that he checked on the disposition of the dogs owned by the Carroll family on Purgatory Road which the selectmen, at their October 26 meeting, ordered removed from town by Friday, October 29. Olson said he called Dog Officer Richard Wunschel and was told that the dogs were still on the Carroll property though they were restrained. He said he was informed that Carroll would go to court to stop the removal.

The selectmen said the dogs should still be removed from town until and unless the town is ordered to allow them in by the courts.

Educational Reform Waiver

The board again discussed seeking waivers from the town's required educational reform contribution. At last week's meeting, the selectmen discussed the two types of waivers allowed. One would be to deduct extraordinary costs like snow removal during the two blizzards and the other is for one-time revenue.

Selectman Rick Labonte made a motion "that the board endorse seeking a waiver for those monies from 1993 that have been discussed at this meeting and with the advice of the Town Accountant."

Miscellaneous

- The board unanimously approved the removal of a 2.278 acre parcel of land from Chapter 61B. The property is owned by Marie O'Mara.

- Olson said he was asked by the Office of Special Projects if Sutton would like to show its town flag in the Great Hall at the State House on Flag Day June 14, 1994. He said he was told that the Massachusetts Correctional Industries would make a flag at a minimum cost.

Gravison asked to see if flags could be made up for residents.

Devoe Taylor Post Meeting

MILLBURY - An important meeting of Devoe Taylor Post #9 American Legion will be held Monday evening, November 15, at 7:30 p.m. in the Asa Waters Mansion. Stuart Mulhane, commander, will preside. Members are asked to attend.

Cornucopia Auction to benefit MDA

WESTBORO - The Muscular Dystrophy Association's First Annual Cornucopia Auction will be held Tuesday, November 16, at the Holiday Inn, Crowne Plaza, Natick at 6:30 p.m.

Featuring Celtic's tickets, an autographed Celtic's basketball, a hot air balloon ride, a handmade wooden dollhouse and a rafting trip in Maine, the auction will raise funds to support local MDA programs.

Tickets are $10 and include a bidding number and light refreshments. For more information or to purchase tickets, call the Muscular Dystrophy Association at 898-3375.

Pack 109 news

MILLBURY - The November Pack Meeting for Cub Scout Pack 109 will be held Wednesday, November 17, at 6:30 p.m. at the Millbury Federated Church hall. All dens will perform skits, and awards will be presented.

On Saturday, November 20, Pack 109 will hold its annual Bake Sale at Goretti's Supermarket, beginning at 8 a.m. All scouts are asked to donate three baked items or $10.00 per family. Baked goods may be delivered to Debbie Harris, 57 Miles Street, on Friday evening, or they may be brought to Goretti's on Saturday morning.

The Bowl-a-Thon will be held on Saturday, November 27, at the Thunderbird Bowl in Auburn. Details regarding times and pledges will be forthcoming from the den leaders.

Youth Football Results

Submitted by Steven Hebert

PEE WEE DIVISION

The Millbury-Sutton Raiders were defeated by the Worcester Vikings 16-0 at MHS field. The Raiders played a tough ball game, led by strong performances by Nick Hebert, Ryan Matson, Brian Geary and Mike Wackell. The defense was once again led by Joey Rivelli, Mike Brown, Joshua Joubert, and Matt Lavallee. The Pee Wee Raiders play their final home game on November 14th against the Worcester Cowboys.

JUNIOR MIDGET DIVISION

The Junior Midget Raiders were defeated by the Worcester Vikings 22-8 at MHS athletic field. The Raiders touchdown was scored on a 3 yard touchdown run by Ray Therrien. The two point conversion was made on a 2 yard pass from Philip Palumbo to F.J. Richards. The offense also had strong performances from Matt Mulhane, Mike Vigneau and Neil Norquist. The defense played well all afternoon and was again led by Adam Silun, Mike Couture, Ray Therrien and Andrew Krumsiek. The Raiders play their final game of the season on November 14th at MHS field against the Hudson Hawks.

Turkey Whist in Sutton

SUTTON - St. Mark's Parish will host a Turkey Whist Party on Sunday, November 21, at 7 p.m. in the church hall, Boston Road. Admission is $3.00. There will be door prizes, a raffle, and free coffee and pastry.

Turkey Raffle

MILLBURY - The First Congregational Church, West Main Street, will hold its Annual Turkey Raffle on Friday, November 19, at 7 p.m. There will be at least 15 turkeys raffled. Between the turkey drawings you can take chances on a variety of other items that will be raffled off throughout the evening. If you're lucky, you'll go home with the grand prize - a turkey and all the fixings for a complete dinner.

Raffle tickets can be purchased ahead from church members and will also be available at the door the evening of the event. Public welcome.

DEADLINE

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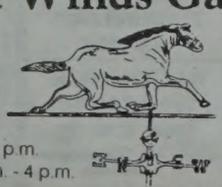

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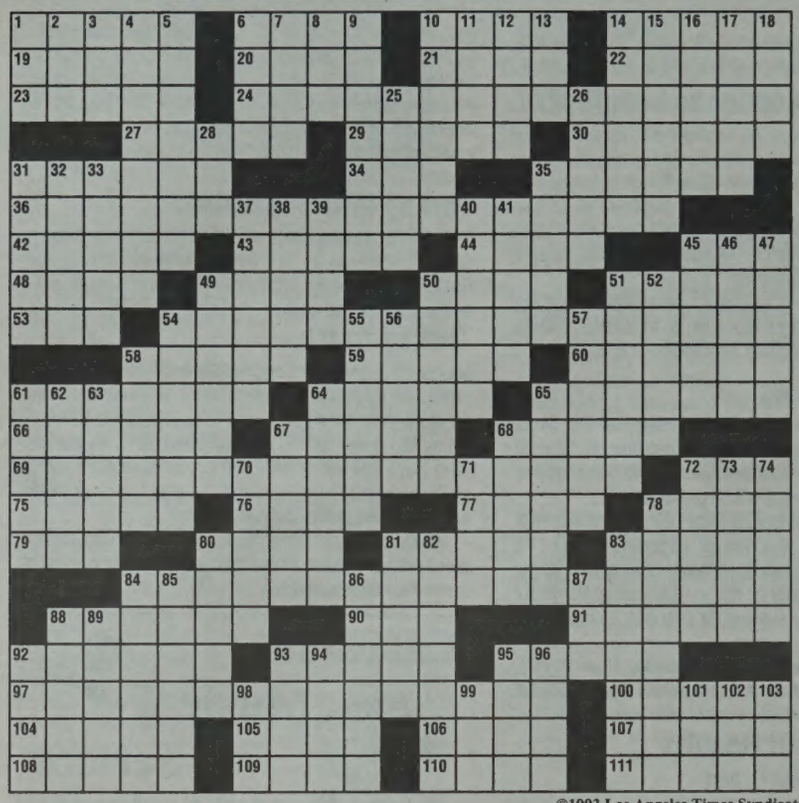

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MENTAL GYMNASTICS
By Frances K. Schnitzer

ACROSS

1 Hen, for one
6 Cease
10 French vineyards
14 Scow
19 Alpha partner
20 Persian sprite
21 Cod's relative
22 Group culture
23 Sir Hillary's equipment item
24 Be circumspect
27 Lama land
29 Haloes
30 Rio —
31 California oak
34 Recent: Comb. form
35 Cuomo and Andretti
36 Serve time
42 The same
43 Irish playwright Brendan
44 Roe vs —
45 Kind of farm or fee
48 God of war
49 Cher's ex
50 Walt Kelly character
51 Threefold
53 Sun. homily
54 Strive to please
58 Shapes
59 To have, in Le Havre
60 Loner
61 Sends back
64 George of the Royals
65 Pardon for past offenses
66 Grain beard
67 French river
68 Tête- —
69 Remind a person
72 Toper
75 Pallid
76 Hamilton bills
77 Dapper ones
78 Jefferson's V.P.
79 Wager
80 Assuage
81 Wheel spokes
83 Musical Count
84 Deduces precipitously
88 "... and — with wits": Alexander Pope
90 Fr. holy woman
91 Be present
92 Manifest
93 Relative of 16 Down
95 Andrea de —
97 Seeks a solution
100 Poet Nash
104 Cosmetician Lauder
105 Toward shelter
106 Metrical foot
107 Word with water or world
108 E.R.A. and R.B.I.
109 Sprite
110 LVI doubled
111 Four: Comb. form

DOWN

1 Cut off
2 "— my brother's keeper?"
3 Thus far
4 Narcissists
5 Encountered
6 Graf —
7 Subject matter
8 Beaver St.
9 Voracious fish
10 Centaur son of Cronos
11 Tabula —
12 Hawaiian instrs.
13 Wine adjective
14 Pierre's spread
15 Achieve
16 Thick-skinned herbivore, for short
17 Merchandise
18 Thrall of yore
25 Prompt the performers
26 Wide open
28 Legal profession
31 Icelandic literary works
32 Bête —: bane
33 Provide service
35 Bordeaux wine
37 Government securities
38 Ministers to
39 Half a reiterative train sound
40 Tinhorn
41 Mother of Ishmael
45 Companies
46 "Ask, — shall be given you"
47 Irascible
49 Hag
50 For the time being: Lat.
51 Score
52 Street show
54 High society
55 Diversifies
56 "Tinkers to — to ..."
57 Natives of Cambodia
58 Billiards stroke
61 Islamic seventh month
62 Irregularly notched
63 Strength
64 Highlander's cap
65 Unaccented
67 Loamy deposit
68 At full speed
70 Public storehouse
71 Taro root
72 "If you knew — ..."
73 Celestial hunter
74 Current direction
78 Historic WWII town
80 Roast host
81 Proportion
82 Acrimonious
83 Stop meddling!
84 Politician's trip
85 Father's brothers
86 Fish hawk
87 Malayan gibbon
88 Nautical order
89 Formal statements
92 Summers, in Sedan
93 Anklebones
94 Summit
95 Trucker's rig
96 Both: Prefix
98 Enervate
99 Negligent
101 Banned pesticide
102 Bard's contraction
103 FDR plan

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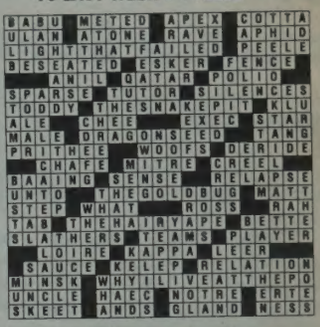

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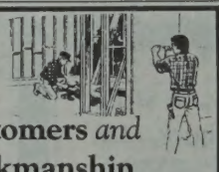

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FRIDAY: Juice, Pizza, Tossed Salad, Pudding

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Town of Millbury
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 40A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Millbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Monday, November 22, 1993 at 7:30 p.m. at the Municipal Office Building, Planning Board Hearing Room, 127 Elm Street, Millbury, MA on the application of Anita Cashman, property located at 30 Linda Avenue, Millbury, MA, for a Multi-Family Special Permit under Article 1, Section 14.11 (a) of the Millbury Zoning By-Law.

Anyone wishing to be heard on this application should appear at the time and place designated above.
Fred Moseley, Chairman
November 4 and 11, 1993

Town of Sutton
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Sutton Board of Selectmen will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, November 16, 1993 to hear the application of H2O Coatings, 9 Main Street, for a License under the provisions of Chapter 148 of MGL for paint recycling. This is for a Class IC and Class II License.
Mary K. Connor, Chairwoman
November 4 and 11, 1993

Town of Millbury
FINANCIAL REPORT

The annual City and Town Financial Report (Schedule A) for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1993 for the Town of Millbury, Massachusetts is completed and it is available for public inspection in the Town Auditor's Office, 127 Elm Street, on Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m..
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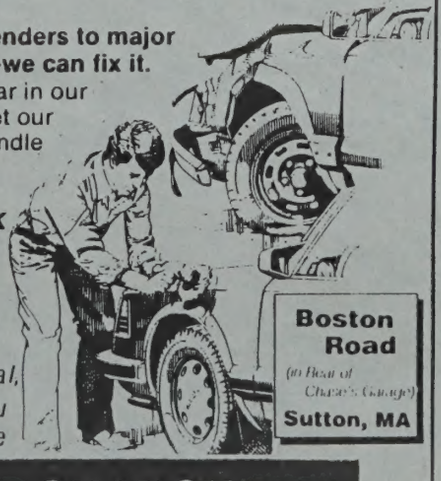

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ter, but the economy is going to get better anyway, we don't know when. I don't think it (the project) will have any impact unless they try to align it at the same time the National economy turns around and then say 'Oh, look what it did for the Blackstone Valley.'"

"If we lose that $70,000, we don't have a way of recouping that," Day said. "It's going to have an impact on us immediately. Just look at the distance of 146 that is able to be developed. In the meeting, Kollios said they are going to decrease all these intersections, yes, but they're going to add intersections to it. They're going to add a parking lot, there's a new intersection for 200-400 cars a day. When they eliminate Rt. 122 at the Shell Station, projects that they put in there are going to give four or five more intersections that are potentials for accidents. When I say accidents, the fire department responds not to the car accident but to the gasoline spill that's involved in that or the extrication of a person in a bad accident, or the car fire that's caused by the accident. Those additional calls are going to tax us and we're already taxed to the border line."

Handfield said he believes he and Chief Day got their points across based on the state's own statistics, "and I don't see how they can refute that," he said. "I'm willing to bet that what I said up there will come true."

Day cautioned that truck traffic will also increase as a result of the interchange project. "Trucks will find it easier to take the exit in Millbury," he said. "I spoke to one small hauler who has only 20 trucks, and he told me, 'We will put through that interchange at least 20 loads a day.' This is 20 loads of fuel with a small distributor here in Millbury."

Both Day and Handfield also cautioned that trucks exiting the new interchange will be facing a downhill grade. "All the trucks coming out of Boston are going to be in a downhill grade stopping at this exit. It's not going to be like exit 11 where you're on an uphill grade when you get off," said Day.

"Our insurance rates are based on the number of accidents in town, the number of fatalities, number of deaths. How many people from Millbury are involved in an accident in Millbury (on the MassPike or 146)?" Day asked. "The town of Millbury is charged with those accidents, with those fatalities. It's not our road, it's a state road, but the accident was in Millbury. When they install this 200-240 car park and ride lot I'm sure we're going to have auto thefts. The town is charged with those."

"The more time we have to spend on the super highway," said Handfield, "the more we neglect the residents of this town who pay for these services. That's the bottom line."

Funding Nutrition Projects

WORCESTER - The Central Mass. Agency on Aging is now accepting applications for FY '94-'95 Title III-C Nutrition Projects to fund regional Congregate and Home Delivered Meal services. All applications must be in the office by November 19 at 4 p.m. with the original application and 12 copies. To obtain an application, contact Mary McCaffrey at 852-5539.

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Pot Roast Dinner

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Thank You...

The Sutton Lions Club wishes to express its appreciation to everyone who supported our recent Birdseed Sale at Sutton Square. All proceeds will be used for local charitable projects of the Club. Our effectiveness is dependent upon the support of our community. The citizens of Sutton made a special effort to support this activity - we are very grateful.

We look forward to an even better sale next Fall! See you all at our Annual Christmas Tree Sale beginning November 27th at Sutton Square.

Sutton Lions Club

Stadium Cushions on Sale

MILLBURY - The Millbury Jr./Sr. High Athletic Boosters are selling Stadium Cushions. These 12x12 cushions are great for watching games, boating and many other activities. They feature the Millbury "Woolie" and are maroon and white.

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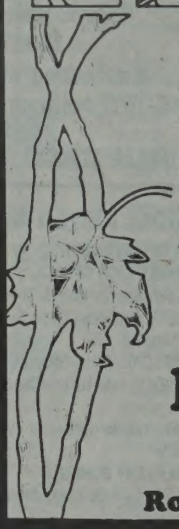

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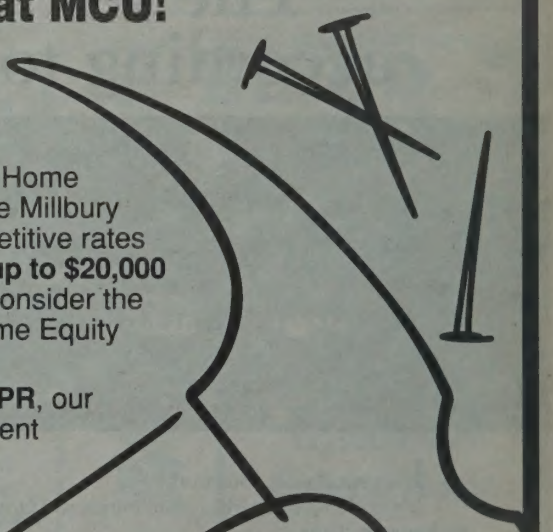

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